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Letter dated 4 October 2011 from the Chairperson of the Guinea configuration of the Peacebuilding Commission addressed to the President of the General Assembly, the President of the Security Council and the President of the Economic and Social Council

I have the honour to transmit to you the statement of mutual commitments on peacebuilding in Guinea between the Government of Guinea and the Peacebuilding Commission, which was adopted on 23 September 2011 in the presence of Mr. Alpha Condé, President of Guinea (PBC/5/GUI/2).

Following a request by the Government of Guinea, the Organizational Committee of the Peacebuilding Commission decided on 23 February 2011 to place Guinea on its agenda and to set up a country-specific configuration on Guinea.

In its request for the Commission's support, the Government of Guinea proposed to focus on three peacebuilding priorities, namely the promotion of reconciliation and national unity, the reform of the defence and security sector, and the youth and women employment policy.

In accordance with its mandate, the country-specific configuration on Guinea engaged extensively with the Government of Guinea, the United Nations, international partners and key national stakeholders to define priority actions and articulate mutual commitments reflecting the three aforementioned peacebuilding priorities. Consultations included two missions which I undertook to Guinea from 3 to 10 April and from 4 to 6 September 2011.

The Peacebuilding Commission and the Government will undertake a review of the statement of mutual commitments at six-month intervals from the date of its adoption.

To ensure complementarity between the work of the Peacebuilding Commission and the Peacebuilding Fund, the statement of mutual commitments will also inform the Guinea peacebuilding priority plan, which is the instrument of engagement between the Peacebuilding Fund and the Government.

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The Peacebuilding Commission Guinea configuration is determined to support the Government of Guinea in its peacebuilding efforts, guided by the principles of national ownership, partnership and mutual accountability for results.

(*Signed*) Sylvie **Lucas**
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